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MEXICO FLOUTS UNCLE SAM'S DEMANDS

LOCALS WIN NAVY WORK PENN LOSES BY MINUTES

Lord-Young Company's Bid on
Pearl Harbor Magazine
Dealt by Mails

The Lord-Young Engineering Company this afternoon received a cablegram from Washington stating that it is the low bidder on the Pearl Harbor contract for which bids were opened in Washington today. An earlier report received by the Star-Bulletin said that no bid had been received from the Lord-Young company. It is believed that the Honolulu firm's bid was in the mail and arrived just after the others had been opened and was declared valid.

"We understand that the ruling is that a bid in the mail as ours was stands good," said J. L. Young this afternoon. "At any rate, we are informed that we got the contract."

The Lord-Young company's bid was \$79,600. Several bidders went higher than the four whose figures are given. It appears that the local firm has won the contract by a narrow margin from the keenest competition for work the local naval station has seen.

[Special Star-Bulletin Cable]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Pennsylvania Bridge Company was low bidder on construction of the naval magazine at Pearl Harbor, when proposals were opened here this morning. The figure of the Pennsylvania concern is \$88,740, the other bidders being the Concanon Company of San Francisco, \$88,880, and the Spaulding Construction Co. of Portland, \$89,140. The appropriation available is \$90,000.

The Pennsylvania Bridge Co. will probably be given the contract. No proposal was submitted by the Lord-Young Engineering Co. of Honolulu.

The naval magazine for the Pearl Harbor station is to be located on Kuaia Island, west of the drydock entrance, and far enough removed from it to minimize danger to the big basin and yard buildings in the event of any minor explosions. The magazine plant, consisting of five separate buildings of reinforced concrete, their designation and the estimated cost of each being as follows:

Primer house, \$5,000; magazine building, \$25,000; loaded shell house, \$30,000; fixed ammunition house, \$25,000; high explosive house, \$5,000.

Only the construction of the actual buildings will be let by contract, money being appropriated for grading, and a lighting, sewage and street system, to be put in by yard labor. Work will be commenced as soon as practicable after the contract is let, as it is the policy of the Bureau of Yards and Docks to rush all Pearl Harbor work toward completion.

This is said to be the first appearance of the Pennsylvania Bridge company in the local field. The Concanon company and the Spaulding concern have such heavy interests in Pearl Harbor work that they may almost be classed as local firms.

GONE TO EXPLOIT PHILIPPINE SUGAR

It is an open secret that the expedition to the Philippines, on which C. G. Bockus and W. P. Roth started this week, is for the purpose of prospecting sugar lands in the southern part of the archipelago, near the San Carlos district. Should these explorers develop a Philippine sugar enterprise, it will be the third large appearance of sugar men from Hawaii in that country—the others being the San Carlos Central and George H. Fairchild's entrance into sugar factoring.

COLONIAL HOTEL SOLD HIGH.

The Colonial Hotel property on Emma street sold at auction this afternoon for \$36,000, being bought by R. W. Shingle. The bidding started at the upset price of \$25,000.

Iron Settees

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DELEGATE FROM PHILIPPINES HOPEFUL

Hon. M. L. Quezon, delegate from the Philippines islands to Congress, is registered as a passenger on board the Shinyo Maru, arriving this morning from the Orient. The fact that Quezon was on the Shinyo was a surprise to local friends, as he was not expected here for some time.

Quezon is fighting for the independence of the Philippines, and an alleged interview in a New York paper some months ago stirred up the Americans in the Philippines greatly. In this interview Quezon was quoted as making vague threats against American business interests in the Philippines. He insinuated, according to his published statements, that after the Philippines were given control of their own affairs the American business men would have to take a back seat and some of the firms would be driven out of business. Quezon's friends retorted by saying that he meant only that no American business could trample on the little brown men, and had no threat for legitimate industry.

Mr. Quezon, interviewed as to Philippine affairs, expresses himself as confident that the Democratic party will speedily grant independence to his countrymen. He favors early autonomy and does not agree with Mr. Taft's latest ideas as to the time required for educating the Filipinos to take his place as a self-governing member of society.

SHOP WINDOWS SETTING NEW RECORD

Many Beautiful Designs, Good
Weather and Big Crowds
Expected Tonight

Honolulu merchants are setting a new record in the matter of tasteful and effective window displays for the holiday season. A round of the business section of the city shows that the retailers are alive as to the wisdom of window dressing to attract customers, and more care has been lavished on displays this year than ever before. It is a prosperous season and the merchants are making the most of the prosperity.

Not even the sprinklings of rain daily could disturb the holiday crowds. According to present indications, the weather will be good tonight, and great crowds are expected, as all shops will be open.

If one were to make a critical inspection of the display windows in Honolulu as they now appear, he would soon come to the conclusion that many of them, if not all, are on a par with those of the largest business houses on the mainland, both in attractiveness and beauty of design. The merchants of the city seem to have gone one better than last year, bringing into their windows this year many unique designs which are models of the window dresser's art, and which attract the attention of the passers-by, causing them to stop for a moment. Besides the displays in the windows, interior decorations in keeping with the Christmas season are playing a prominent part in many of the different business houses, and in some instances, these, rather than the Christmas goods which are on display, are the first sources of admiration. Business in Honolulu has been larger than ever this year, and many of the merchants are of the opinion that an attractively decorated show window is almost as good as the best-written advertisement.

Among the many attractive windows noticed are:

E. O. Hall & Son, Ltd.
A large Christmas tree at the entrance of the store of Hall & Son forms one of the principal mediums of the interior decorating of that business house, and when it is illuminated in the evening with myriads of

Gov. Frear And Party Reported On Laysan Island; Goonies And Burro Give Hearty Welcome To Thetis



Z-Ray photo of Laysan Island scene following the landing of the party from the revenue cutter Thetis. The figure in the center is Governor Frear. Apparently he is meditating. Around him may be seen sand dunes and goonies. The Thetis is anchored behind the bluff. This is one of the most remarkable photographs even taken of the governor.

THINK WIZARD HAS DISCOVERED WATER ON LANAI

It is looking as if the visit of Rev. H. Mason, the divining rod adept from New Zealand, is going to spell the redemption of the island of Lanai from the curse of aridity. News from the first well being driven where Mr. Mason divined by his own sensations, without using the twig, that water should be found, was received this morning, and it is highly favorable. Although a stream has not been struck, strong seepage has developed which gives excellent promise of a copious flow being tapped.

"The well is now down twenty-five feet in porous rock," said Cecil Brown this morning. "No distinct stream has yet developed, nothing but traces of where the water is coming in, yet on Thursday night sixty-five gallons of water collected in the pit, which had to be bailed out before the men could go to work in the morning."

"They have commenced on any other place yet, because we consider this is the most important place. If we get water here we will be able to do away with pumping water from Kalaupapa gulch, where we have to keep the pump going day and night now to water the stock. The water there comes from a tunnel in the mountain."

"Mr. Munro, the manager, is very much pleased with the prospect. It should be remembered that this is the driest time that Lanai has had for ten years, which makes the strong indications, at the depth of only twenty-five feet, look all the more encouraging."

BIDS ON ARMORY JAN. 4

The revised plans and specifications for a new \$100,000 national guard armory have been completed and the advertisement for bids for its construction begins today. The bids are to be opened January 4; the contract may be let that same day and active work of construction probably will begin within a few days from that date.

Unless delay by some unforeseen obstacle arises the work should be well along before the legislature convenes. This will effectually check any attempt to withdraw the \$100,000 appropriation for the armory, as the money will already have been contracted for and will no longer be at the legislature's disposal.

The plans are now prepared eliminate a number of features which the armory, to be perfected and properly equipped, would need, but the entire outer shell and the principal features of the interior, such as the drill hall, gymnasium and four or five company rooms, are provided for. Obviously the structure will be complete as originally intended, but enough changes in the interior have been made to keep the project within the appropriation.

Those features which have been stricken out of minor importance and not a pressing necessity at the present time. They can be added at some later date by an additional appropriation of \$15,000 to \$25,000.

Thetis Is Reported

Lonely Beast Mistakes His
Excellency's Whiskers for
Those That Once Adorned the
Vivacious Visage of Captain
Max Schlemmer, Former
King of the Island of Laysan

[By Thought Wave Special to the
Star-Bulletin]

ISLAND OF LAYSAN, Dec. 20.—(Special Correspondence)—The Thetis, having contracted the habit, is bobbing about in the ocean just off the beach of this place, which our correspondent finds one of the most mournful spots he has ever visited. It is not the all-pervading sand dunes, the illimitable stretches of sea and sky, the utter insignificance of mankind that causes this feeling of depression. Rather it is a combination of all three, plus the presence of a too-affectionate burro. The sight of this wee beast's hilarious joy at the arrival of others of his kind fills one's heart to overflowing.

One of the most pathetic sights your correspondent ever saw was the demonstrative manner in which the animal, which had been busying himself trotting along the line of the abandoned railway they used to use to trundle the seabird eggs from the nests to the ship, conducted himself. In his time he had been the mainstay of that railroad, chief of motive power, so to speak, and with the loyalty of his species he has remained true to his job and when we arrived here was industriously trotting back and forth along the line of deserted rails.

Your correspondent, the Governor, and the attorney-general and other members of the party landed as soon as possible after the Thetis dropped anchor. The attorney-general is feeling

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NEW STMR. FOR INTERMEDIATE SERVICE

The popularity achieved by the Toyo Kisen Kaisha in the operation of an intermediate steamship in the San Francisco-Honolulu and Oriental run, has warranted the big Japanese steamship company coming to the decision that an additional steamer is required to properly take care of the business now offered.

With the arrival of the liner Shinyo Maru from China and Japan ports this morning, it was definitely learned that one of the important matters under consideration at the head office of the company at Tokyo, during the recent visit of Assistant General Manager W. H. Avery to Japan some weeks ago, was the placing of additional tonnage in the intermediate service.

On or about the first of March, the Hongkong Maru, well known to shipping people and trans-Pacific travelers, is to enter the Far East and the Pacific Coast of the United States. A joint schedule with the Pacific Mail will soon be drafted, which is to include the Hongkong Maru in connection with the other vessels in the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, now traversing the "semi-tropical route."

The Hongkong Maru is to arrive here on or about January 1, with general cargo destined for Central and South American ports. It is stated today that the present voyage to the west coast of South America will be the last in that service. Upon returning to Japan ports, the vessel is to be given a general overhauling and will soon after be ready to enter the list for Honolulu and San Francisco business.

For years the Hongkong Maru, together with the sister ships, America

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High Sheriff Will Quit Ere He Whips

Henry Disapproves Strongly of
Proposal to Provide for the
Whipping-Post in the Oahu
Prison

If a whipping-post law is passed it will be necessary to get some one other than High Sheriff Henry to carry out his provisions. Henry will quit his job before he will do any whipping. "If a law is passed making it my duty to whip prisoners, I'll get out so quick,—well, I'll resign, that's all," said the high sheriff this morning.

"I flogged two negroes a number of years ago, under a rule of the prison which allows it. I presented their cases to the prison commissioners and asked their advice, and they ordered flogging. Under the rules I could have gone ahead with the flogging and reported to the commissioners afterwards."

"I never felt so humiliated and hurt in my life as when carrying out this order regarding the flogging of these

men, and after it was over I swore to myself then and there that I would never do it again, under any circumstances. I suffered keenly over it."

"If you pass a whipping-post law, who are you going to get to do the whipping? You will have sheriffs either ignoring the law or resigning. I don't believe in the whipping post. It is brutalizing in its effect on the victim and on the man who does the flogging. Imagine tying a human being to a post, and having him helpless before you and then laying on the lash. I don't believe you can get men to do it. Certainly I will not."

"In the case of a man who is brute enough to assault little girls, the proper penalty is hanging or solitary confinement. We already have a law providing capital punishment for such cases, and I think that if it were enforced in two or three cases, the business would quickly stop. Hanging seems proper in some cases, but flogging leaves the man alive, and humiliated and embittered for the rest of his life, and it also works great injury to the man who wields the lash."

MADERO RETURNS HAUGHTY ANSWER

Head Of Southern Republic Refuses To
Heed Warning And Ignores Secretary
Knox's Request That His Govern-
ment Furnish Protection And
Assistance To Americans En-
dangered Through Uprisings

[Associated Press Cable]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Madero has flouted the demands made upon his government by Secretary of State Knox, who insists that the Mexican authorities take measures to protect Americans, and American property in the Southern Republic, from all danger of the frequent uprisings in that country.

Madero declares in effect that Americans must look out for themselves and that Mexico can not be held responsible for the acts of rebels within her territory.

This attitude of the Mexican president it is believed will result in the adoption of sterner measures on the part of Uncle Sam. It is reported that the State Department has informed the President, now on his way to Panama, of the crisis that has arisen, but that no action will be taken until after Mr. Taft returns. It is believed that the United States will then send Mexico an ultimatum, calling upon her to protect citizens of this country or suffer the penalty.

Robbers In Swell Apartment

[Associated Press Cable]
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 21.—One of the most sensational discoveries in the annals of crime in Chicago was made by the police here today when they discovered the existence of a highly organized robber band in one of the most fashionable apartment houses on the Lake front.

The officers arrested four men and four women, believed to be guilty of the murder of J. H. Logue, one of the wealthiest diamond merchants in this city, killed some time ago under most mysterious circumstances. Following the arrest, police searched the house and discovered 88 pounds of high percentage dynamite, two quarts of nitroglycerine, six automatic pistols and the most complete cracksmen's outfit that has come into their possession in many years. There was more than \$7,000 in loot of one kind or another found in the house as well.

U. S. Warships To Meet Natal

[Associated Press Cable]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Preparations are being completed here to send the battleships Florida and North Dakota and four torpedo boat destroyers to meet the British cruiser Natal, that is bringing the body of the late Ambassador Whitelaw Reid back home. It is understood that the American flotilla will have orders to meet the British warship off the Nantucket Shoals Lightship and convey her into port at New York.

Wilson And Bryan In Conference

[Associated Press Cable]
TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 21.—William J. Bryan, Democratic leader, called upon President-elect Wilson this morning and was closeted with him for more than three hours, during which time the door of the executive office stood open.

Following the conference Mr. Bryan declined to talk to reporters for publication. Mr. Wilson, however, was more communicative. He said that he had been discussing cabinet possibilities with the statesman from Lincoln, but that the latter's name was not mentioned in their talk.

Servia Forces Austria's Hand

[Associated Press Cable]
LONDON, Dec. 21.—It was announced here today that the Servian government has forced the hand of Austria-Hungary by formally accepting the autonomy of Albania, thus compelling her northern neighbor to declare what are the intentions of the Vienna government at once instead of waiting its own convenience. The diplomats of the civilized world are anxiously awaiting the decision of Austria for upon that depends the peace or war of the continent of Europe.

MURRAY SCORES MAYOR AT MEETING

Supervisor Murray assailed Mayor
Perh in sharp terms at a meeting
of the board of supervisors this afternoon.

What angered Murray in the first place was the fact that the clerk had not managed to have certain money resolutions advertised in time for the board to act in them at this meeting.

The mayor had been praised, Murray taunted his honor, for his action in regard to the Kalaupapa avenue parking scheme. It would have been better, he went on to remark, if the mayor's pet papers had roasted him for holding up resolutions carrying appropriations for necessary road work. The chances were, the irate supervisor threatened, that the mayor's proposition for lighting Kalaupapa avenue would be voted down at third reading.

There are two resolutions in the mayor's hands for approval—or of \$2900 for various road improvements, which he has indicated he will not

sign, and another of \$1500 for the help in turn at Waimea.

Among the resolutions deferred today for completion of the advertising period is one for \$4510 for permanent paving in Kaimuki.

CONSULATE RECEIVES CABINET MAKE-UP

The Japanese consulate today received a cablegram giving the make-up of the new cabinet as follows: Prime Minister, Prince Katsura; Foreign Affairs, Prince Katsura; Home Affairs, Viscount Oomura; Finance, Mr. Reijiro Wakatsuki; War, Baron Kikuchi; Navy, Baron Saito; Justice, Mr. Itasu Matsumura; Education, Mr. Kamon Shibata; Agriculture and Commerce, Mr. Iwa Nakashoojo; Communications, Baron Goto.

PRATT AND TROTTER RETURN FROM HAWAII

Dr. J. S. B. Pratt and Dr. Trotter returned this morning from Hawaii, where they have been making a tour of inspection the last few days, visiting the Kukuiahae and Kukuiahae plantations along the Hamakua coast. This was Dr. Trotter's first visit to that district, and he was greatly pleased by the excellent health conditions and sanitation systems he found employed throughout that part of the Big Island.